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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY REPORT COTTRELL'S VISIT TO CANADA

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1. COTTRELL AND TEAM DEPARTED CANADA EVENING OF FEB 12 AFTER EXTENSIVE VISITS TO MAJOR CANADIAN NUCLEAR FACILITIES. A CALIBRATION OF THE IMPORTANCE AECL AND CANADIAN MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES & RESOURCES ATTACHED TO UK TEAM VISIT MAY BE FOUND IN THE FACT THAT GRAY (PRESIDENT, AECL) WAS ASSIGNED TO GUIDE UK TEAM IN ITS VISITS TO PICKERING AND BRUCE FACILITIES WHILE HIGHLY COMPETENT BUT NEVERTHELESS SECOND ECHELON OFFICIAL (AIKEN) WAS ASSIGNED TO REPRESENT CANADIAN NUCLEAR ENERGY INTERESTS AT WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE.

2. ACCORDING TO CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS REACHING EMBASSY FROM CANADIANS WHO HOSTED UK TEAM, "WE PULLED OUT ALL THE STOPS," I.E., NO EFFORT WAS SPARED TO IMPRESS UK TEAM WITH EXCELLENCE OF CANDU SYSTEM.

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3. ALTHOUGH SENIOR MEMBERS OF UK TEAM WERE NATURALLY RETICENT

ABOUT EXPRESSING THEIR OPINIONS IN CATEGORIC TERMS AT THIS TIME, SENIOR CANADIAN HOSTS MAINTAIN THAT THEY WERE REPEAT WERE FAVORABLY INFLUENCED. GRAY RECOGNIZES THAT FOR INFLUENCE TO HAVE FAVORABLE IMPACT AT DECISION-MAKING LEVEL IN UK, HAWKINS' VIEW VIS-A-VIS CANDU VERSUS LWR MUST EITHER BE CHANGED OR OVERRIDDEN. HE PROFESSES TO HOPE THAT UK VISIT FROM CANADIAN POINT OF VIEW WAS SUFFICIENTLY SUCCESSFUL THAT ONE OR THE OTHER OF THESE EVENTUALITIES WILL IN FACT MATERIALIZE IN A SUITABLE PERIOD OF TIME FOLLOWING UK ELECTIONS.

4. DARCY MCKEOUGH, ONTARIO PROVINCIAL ENERGY MINISTER WHO PARTICIPATED IN BOTH CANADIAN VISIT TO UK AND IN HOSTING UK TEAM VISIT, MADE BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT WHICH MIGHT BE CATEGORIZED AS GUARDEDLY OPTIMISTIC.  
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